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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Christopher J McDonald (3) _____
(2) Melvyn Andrews (4) _____

Date of Interview Aug 16 2002

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☐ Televideo Conference ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description: _____

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 - 24

Identification of prior art discussed: 5,536,480 AU 73142/87

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Attorney explained that process required lime concentration ~~are~~ sufficient to leach ore and sol'n was mainly basic. Prior art discloses sol'n containing lime. Attorney may propose claims

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) limiting pH & lime conc. Exam did not believe

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

that claims 22 & 24 distinguished over art.

Examiner Not : You must sign this form unless it is an attachment to another form.

Melvyn Andrews